



The 40<sup>th</sup> World Continuous Auditing and Reporting Symposium  
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**CALL FOR PARTICIPATION**

The 40<sup>th</sup> World Continuous Auditing & Reporting Symposium (40 WCARS) is the leading forum for the discussion of research and practice into the application of technology to auditing and reporting. The conference alternates between US and non-US locations, with previous conferences held in Monaco (2004), Malta (2005), San Paulo, Brazil (2006-2017), Ferrara, Italy (2007), Crete (2008), Thessaloniki, Greece (2009), Malatya, Turkey (2012), Brisbane, Australia (2013), Reykjavik, Iceland (2014), Chengdu, China (September 2014), and Brisbane Australia (2016). Papers and presentations from prior conferences can be found at <http://raw.rutgers.edu.html>.

We invite presentations, papers and proposals for panels for 40 WCARS with the participation of vendors and implementers of new accounting related technology particularly encouraged. The conference is open to any innovative idea relating to the IT-enabled auditing and reporting, including, but not limited to:

1. Audit Analytics and Business Intelligence
2. Big Data
3. Continuous Assurance
4. Fraud Detection
5. XBRL
6. Audit software and working paper systems
7. Blockchain
8. Text and voice mining
9. ERP and other data management technologies
10. Mobile Apps

In particular, this year will especially encourage papers and panels examining Blockchain and its application to accounting and auditing.

The conference always fills to capacity—with 165 attendees last year and a similar number expected this year—the majority of participants coming from the internal audit departments of leading businesses and governmental organizations, as well from the vendor community. In particular, commercial firms in the IT space often appear along with their lead customers in order to demonstrate their product's ROI and best practices. The conference is also live stream cast to a global audience.

Presentation proposals should be submitted to Conference Chair Dr. Michael Alles by **August 21st, 2017**. He can be reached at [alles@business.rutgers.edu](mailto:alles@business.rutgers.edu).

Please contact Barbara Jensen at [bjensen@business.rutgers.edu](mailto:bjensen@business.rutgers.edu) for general questions regarding the conference. Further details of 40 WCARS are also available on the conference website: <http://raw.rutgers.edu/40wcars.html>.

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